

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

This case has been carefully reviewed and analyzed, and reconsideration and favorable action is respectfully requested.

CLAIM REJECTION UNDER 35 U.S.C. 112

5 Claim 1 was originally rejected under 35 U.S.C. 112, Claim 1 recites a pawl “pivotally” mounted in a respective one of the receiving recess in lines 9 and 10.

Responsive to this, claim 1 is amended according to the Examiner's instruction. Therefore, it is believed that, by the amendment, the rejection under 35 U.S.C. 112, the “pivotally” should be removed.

CLAIM REJECTION UNDER 35 U.S.C. 102(b)

10 Claims 1-5, 7, 10-15 were originally rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(b) as being anticipated by or, in the alternative, under 35 U.S.C.103(a) .

CLAIM REJECTION UNDER 35 U.S.C. 103(a)

15 Claims 6, 8,9,16 and 10 were originally rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Shiao.

In addition, claim 1-18 was originally rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as obvious over Hu(6,260,446).

20 Responsive to this, claims 4-7,9,10 are deleted and claim 1 is amended which is substantially the combination of original claims 1, so as to make the claimed invention more distinguishably patentable over the prior art references cited by the Examiner. Applicant also submits the following comments.

The claimed invention discloses “A screwdriver, comprising a body, a ratchet wheel, two pawl members, two elastic members, a cover, and a catch plate, wherein:

the body has a first end formed with a receiving hole and a plurality of
5 receiving recesses each communicating with the receiving hole, the first end of the body is formed with a positioning slit, the positioning slit is located in front of the receiving hole and the receiving recesses;

the ratchet wheel is mounted on the body and has an outer wall formed with an annular toothed portion mounted in the receiving hole of the body, the ratchet
10 wheel has a first end formed with a polygonal recess and a second end formed with an elongated slot communicating with the polygonal recess;

each of the pawl members is mounted in a respective one of the receiving recesses and has a first face formed with a toothed portion engaged with the toothed portion of the ratchet wheel, each of the pawl members has an end formed with a
15 driven block, and has two parallel sides;

each of the elastic members is urged between a side face of a respective one of the receiving recesses of the body and a respective one of the pawl members, the receiving recesses of the body are radially and symmetrically arranged, and has two parallel sides;

the cover is rotatably mounted on the body and has a closed end formed with a depression formed with a protruding urging block having two urging sides each of which is movable with the cover to press the driven block of a respective one

of the pawl members, the closed end of the cover is formed with a through hole, and the first end of the ratchet wheel is extended through and protruded from the through hole of the cover; and

the catch plate is mounted in the positioning slit of the body to catch the
5 ratchet wheel and the pawl members, thereby preventing the ratchet wheel, the pawl members and the elastic members from detaching from the body. ” as disclosed in the amended claim 1.

In addition, claims 8,11-18 are deleted, so as to make the claimed invention more distinguishably patentable over the prior art references cited by the Examiner.

10 Therefore, from the above mentioned descriptions, it is apparent that the claimed invention has disclosed a ratchet type screwdriver whose structure and function are quite different from and patentably distinguishable over that of the cited references. It is believed that the cited reference, whether taken alone or in combination with the cited reference, does not provide the elements and objectives as
15 are disclosed in the claimed invention, and cannot render obvious the claimed invention.

Accordingly, for all of the above-mentioned reasons, it is believed that the rejections under 35 U.S.C.112, 102(b) and 103(a) should be withdrawn, and the claims 1 and 2-3 should be allowable.

20 In view of the foregoing amendments and remarks, Applicant submits that the application is now in a condition for allowance and such action is respectfully requested.

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